

CITY FATHERS ASK HUGE SUM OF TREASURY IN NEW BUDGET

Two New Parks, New Aqueduct and Calvert Street Bridges, and Camp for High School Cadets Planned.

Exact Total Kept Secret, But Sum Is Known to Be One of the Largest Ever Asked by Commissioners.

One of the largest budgets in the history of the District, embracing recommendations for many important improvements were submitted by the Commissioners to the Secretary of the Treasury for transmission to Congress today.

Provisions for two additional parks in the District, for a new aqueduct and a new Calvert street bridge, for a military training camp for high school cadets, and for many school and street extensions and improvements, are embraced. A big increase over the appropriations for last year is asked.

This increase, it is learned, reflects the increase in the District's revenues and makes the budget larger in the matters of estimates than any similar document compiled by the Commissioners in many years.

SECURITY MAINTAINED.

While greater secrecy has been maintained regarding the estimates than was the case in former years, it is learned from an authoritative source that the following items are included: Acquisition of the Dean property at Connecticut and Florida avenues northwest and of the Patterson tract, between Florida avenue and Ivy City northeast, contiguous to the Gallatad Institute, for parking purposes.

Appropriations for plans for a new aqueduct bridge and for the construction of a new bridge over Calvert street. Establishment of a military training camp, where high school cadets may receive field training similar to that recently inaugurated at the District business men's camp or the development of army officers.

Extensive modernization of the Fire Department apparatus. New Eastern High School and extensive addition to grade schools. Municipal lodging house and appropriations for continuing work on the District reformatory and municipal hospital.

Exact Total Not Known.

The exact total of the appropriations asked by the Commissioners will not be made known until the estimates are presented to Congress. The Commissioners today declined to give any inkling of the items contained in the budget.

Asked whether or not the Great Falls power plant and water supply project (Continued on Fourth Page.)

SOUND DEATH KNELL OF D. C. AUTO BOARD

Commissioners Make It Branch of Assessor's Office—License Clerk Secretary.

The death knell of the District Automobile Board, as a separate institution of the municipal government, was sounded by the Commissioners today when orders were issued making it a branch of the assessor's office.

The board is placed under the supervision of W. H. Coombs, license clerk, who is designated as its secretary, and given the extra compensation of that office, which amounts to \$300 a year.

Lake Line Bankrupt; Eastland Is Blamed

GRAND RAPIDS, Mich., Oct. 15.—The Graham and Merton Steamship Company went into the hands of a receiver today. Judge Sessions, of the United States district court, appointed the Michigan Trust Company as receiver.

The line is solvent, with liabilities of \$600,000 and assets of \$1,400,000. The receivership dates directly back to the Eastland disaster in Chicago river, July 24 last.

FATE OF MISSING GERMANS IN DOUBT

If Interned Officers Put to Sea in "Tub" They May Get to Haiti.

The six adventurous German officers who are supposed to have put to sea in a "tub," and whose disappearance has caused excitement in all Hampton Roads and in this city, are in for a tough trip, if their disappearance is voluntary. Here are their chances.

If the weather is good they may get to Haiti. If it's bad, they will not. If they stay on top of the water, they are likely to be captured by a British cruiser or an American cutter.

If they have turned privateers, the only vessels they will be able to capture will be some of the big tankers carrying oil to England, and the six are due for considerable excitement if they attempt to halt these vessels, which carry a crew of thirty-five or forty.

If they are armed, they are carrying a one-pounder only. The recoil of a heavier gun would break up the tub. It is not a heavy armament for a first-class privateer.

These are the opinions of naval officers here. The weather, they say, is with the Germans, for it is usually fine at this time of year. The tub is a wooden vessel, built twenty-four years ago.

The coast guard cutter Apache is in Chesapeake Bay, and the Onondaga at Norfolk. Neither has received orders to pick up the Germans. They would be able to reach them in a few days, it is said.

The officers were given leave at 4 p. m. and were to have reported Monday morning. They did not appear. Captain Thierfelder, commander of the Kronprinz Wilhelm, then notified Rear Admiral Frank E. Beatty, commandant of the yard.

Admiral Beatty instituted a search for the tub, but could not locate it. Captain Thierfelder fears his men are drowned.

British Cruiser Is Ready to Search for Missing German Boat

NORFOLK, Oct. 15.—No tidings of the yacht Eclipse or the six German officers of the interned cruiser Kronprinz Wilhelm have been received.

Appearance of a British cruiser off the cape gave credence to a report that the warships will search for the missing vessel.

The Eclipse is reported to have taken on supplies from a launch off Sewalls Point Sunday night. The yacht was recently overhauled, and was in excellent condition. It is believed that the men aboard are still against their will.

The coast guard cutter Androscoquin is searching for the Eclipse off Winter Quarter Shoal.

NEW JERSEY CHOOSES FOR SUMMER WHITE HOUSE

President Accepts Invitation to Spend Vacation at "Shadowlawn," Long Branch.

INSISTS ON PAYING RENT

Such Sum, However, Will Be Given to Charity If Donors Fail to Accept It.

President Wilson today accepted the invitation of the people of New Jersey to establish his summer capital next year at Long Branch, N. J.

The President and the future Mrs. Wilson will live at the palatial summer home of the late John A. McCall, former president of the New York Life Insurance Company. The place is called Shadowlawn.

In extending the invitation Congressman Scully, who headed a large delegation of prominent Jerseyites, presented the President with a letter from Governor Fielder of New Jersey in which the latter expressed the hope that the President would be in New Jersey "to receive the glad tidings of your renomination for President in 1916."

In accepting the invitation the President stated that he would feel more comfortable if the delegation, which had offered the McCall home rent free, would permit him to pay the amount he is accustomed to pay at Cornish. He suggested that if his payments were not used for the rent the money could be used for the poor.

"I want to add," said the President, "that I promised Governor Fielder not to disturb him too much at his summer camp at Sea Girt. It is not that I would not enjoy the camp, or that I would not enjoy horseback riding, but I object to riding a horse in a frock coat and silk hat."

Members of the delegation explained that the first time President Wilson had ever appeared on horseback in a frock coat and silk hat was when he was summing up at Sea Girt in 1912 and received the notification of his nomination for the Presidency.

President Wilson's Reply.

In responding to the invitation, President Wilson said: "Mr. Scully and Gentlemen: "It is very delightful to feel at home in this group and to see so many familiar faces and people from back home. As you understand, I am under a great deal of stress and am seldom allowed to escape, but you may be sure that my heart constantly goes back to New Jersey, and when you come on a mission like this and with such peculiar generosity and invite me home, the only thing I can do is to accept. New Jersey means too much to me to make any other answer possible."

"If you would be generous enough to let me pay the rent that I have been accustomed to pay for a summer place, I would feel easier about it, even if you do not care to accept a charitable object and not to defraying of the expenses of keeping the place and animals in order. I will let me pay the rent that I ordinarily pay in the summer time; then I would feel that my heart is at home through the part of those who represent the State, and I am sure you do represent the State."

"All I can add is that I shall look forward with the greatest pleasure to being in the old familiar surroundings, and you can promise Fielder that I will keep away from the camp as much as possible. May I feel my love back to the people through you and express to you my very great pleasure in seeing you?"

The McCall residence was built in 1903, and represents an investment of more than \$1,000,000. It was built from designs by Henry Edward Crierger, it is magnificent in its architecture set in gardens of rare beauty and design.

The general exterior is of Colonial (Continued on Second Page.)

LEGAL DUEL BEGINS IN NEW HAVEN TRIAL

Attorneys Clash Repeatedly, While Millionaire Defendants Watch Composedly.

NEW YORK, Oct. 15.—Attorneys for the defense and the Government clashed repeatedly today over the selection of jurors at the trial of the New Haven railroad directors, past and present, charged with violation of the Sherman act.

Administration Leaders Getting Ready for Fight



Above—POSTMASTER GENERAL BURLESON. Below—CONGRESSMAN EDWARD W. POU.

WEAK HEART KILLS VICTIM OF ANTHRAX

Government Serum "Cures" Stackpole, But Shock Is Too Great for Aged Lawyer.

NEW YORK, Oct. 15.—George F. Stackpole, whose fight for life against the dreaded anthrax has held the interest of the medical world for the past week, died early this morning at Bellevue, not from anthrax, but from heart disease.

Physicians today said that the anthrax poisoning had been completely cured by the serum compounded by Dr. Adolph Elchorn, of the Federal Bureau of Animal Husbandry at Washington.

The long fight against the anthrax bacillus, however, had weakened Stackpole's system and his heart proved the most vulnerable organ.

Martin Brodsky, a laborer, who has been under observation as a possible anthrax victim, was released today, physicians being confident he was not suffering from the disease.

Dr. Silver, physician in charge; Dr. H. E. Dwyer, the house physician; and Dr. Robert H. Wadhams, visiting physician to the hospital, called frequently at the isolated ward, where Mr. Stackpole was placed. After the first visit Dr. Silver made the confidential announcement, which was testimony to the serum, that anthrax was a thing of the past. He quickly added, however, the statement as to the patient's danger from heart trouble.

TWO MORE PLANTS IN BIG STEEL MERGER

Schwab Takes Pennsylvania Company Over and Gets Option on Another.

PHILADELPHIA, Oct. 15.—Another link will be joined today to the new steel combine* undergoing formation, with Charles M. Schwab as its head.

WILSON BILLS TO BE FORCED IN CONGRESS

House Leaders to Meet Before Session to Decide on Administration Program.

PLAN STRICT CAUCUS RULE

Action Sure to Cause Fight, But Rule Is Necessary to Preserve Majority.

The fact that an important conference of the House Democratic leaders to decide on the legislative program for the coming session in conjunction with the Administration is to be held here shortly before Congress opens developed today.

This conference will be preliminary to a House Democratic caucus. Once the conference has decided on the program, it will be driven through the caucus and members will be bound by a caucus rule to support it.

Unquestionably this means a big fight among House Democrats. But the plans are being laid to put the Administration program of legislation through the House in this fashion. Similarly, the caucus method will be tried in the Senate.

Mutterings of Hostility.

The proposed conference gains additional interest from the mutterings of hostility among many of the Democrats in both houses, some of them egged on by Bryan, to the Administration's defense recommendations.

That Chairman Hay of the House Military Committee, long a "little army" man, and one of the spokesmen in the House of the old Aldworth regime in the army, a regime opposed to the short-term enlistment and other progressive policies, is one of the men who is generally considered not enthusiastic for the President's defense recommendations.

The fact that after yesterday's talk with the President Mr. Hay did not come out in support of the White House is considered significant.

Disclosure of the forthcoming conference of leaders came today as the result of a talk between Congressman Fox of North Carolina and Postmaster General Burleson. Mr. Fox is the ranking member, next to Chairman Henry, of the House Rules Committee. Mr. Burleson has been entrusted with (Continued on Fourth Page.)

CABINET ESTIMATES BEFORE PRESIDENT

Heaviest Appropriations in History to Be Asked of Congress.

With all departmental estimates before him, President Wilson today faces the task of getting from Congress the biggest total of appropriations ever submitted. Congress will be asked to loosen up the Government purse-strings to the tune of \$1,240,000,000.

It seems almost certain that the unsold Panama canal bonds in the Treasury, amounting to approximately \$250,000,000, will have to be put on the market to meet the increased load.

All today the President was conferring with various members of his Cabinet regarding their individual appropriations. It is understood that practically all the items have received his approval.

Whisky Package Rates Disapproved by I. C. C.

The Interstate Commerce Commission today disapproved the establishment by the principle American express companies of minimum rates on whisky packages. The scale the companies sought to apply was: five pounds and under, 35 cents; five to thirty pounds, 50 cents; over thirty pounds, 65 cents.

British Submarine Sinks Destroyer

COPENHAGEN, Oct. 15.—Attacking a German cruiser and two destroyers at the south entrance to Oer sound today, a British submarine torpedoed one destroyer, which sank, exploding, according to advices from Falsterbo, Sweden. The cruiser and second destroyer escaped, it was stated.

Earlier reports from Stockholm indicated a belief that Russian and German vessels were engaged in battle.

ALLIES MAY GIVE UP DARDANELLES SIEGE

Expeditionary Forces Expected to Be Withdrawn to Take Up Serbian Cause.

LONDON, Oct. 15.—Abandonment of the attempt to force the Dardanelles and transfer of the entire Anglo-French expeditionary forces to the Balkan peninsula is forecast today following yesterday's discussion in the house of lords over the failure of Anglo-French diplomacy in the Near East.

Foreign Secretary Grey's explanation of the Balkan situation has disappointed every one, and his utterances are considered evasive as to the government's course.

One Course To Take.

Sir Alfred Milner, sarcastically commenting in the house of lords on the speech of the foreign secretary, declared that the information contained in it is less than any intelligent person in the country already knows.

He suggested that in view of the need of all available troops on the western front there is but one course for the allies to pursue, and that, he said, is to withdraw the 150,000 or 200,000 French and British soldiers from the Gallipoli peninsula, give up the long-drawn-out campaign against the Dardanelles altogether, and transfer the men with all speed to the aid of Serbia, where that country is completely crushed by Germany.

In reply to this suggestion, which was taken up and reiterated in the form of an interjection to the government, Lord Lansdowne was wholly non-committal. He said it is impossible for any member of the government to give an answer before the operations at the Dardanelles will either be continued or abandoned.

Bombarding Fiercely.

Despite the suggestion in the house of lords yesterday that the Dardanelles siege be abandoned, the allied forces are bombarding the Turkish defenses more fiercely than ever today, news dispatches say.

Whether this was a mere final effort the public has no means of knowing. During the debate yesterday one member of the government rose, however, in support of the suggestion.

No important changes were reported along the Franco-German front. Yesterday says an official review with the aid of a cloud of smoke and gas (this is the first time the use of this method of warfare has been admitted) succeeded in carrying 1,000 yards of trenches south and west of Hulluch, but were forced to abandon them under the shell fire of the enemy.

A squadron of French aeroplanes bombarded the railway station at Bazancourt, near Rheims. Other exploits of French airmen were the destruction of a German captive balloon and the bringing down of a German aeroplane.

Navy Yard Workers Must Wait, Declares Daniels

Secretary Daniels has not yet disposed of the wage questions arising in the Washington Navy Yard.

The Secretary indicated today that the matter would have to wait until the estimates were out of the way.

SERBS BATTLE WITH BULGARS AS GERMANS MOVE SOUTH

Nish Declares War on Sofia and Grapples With Invaders on Eastern and Northern Frontiers.

Already 750,000 Troops Are Opposed to Balkan Nation as Allies Plan Huge Relief Expedition.

PARIS, Oct. 15.—Austrians and Germans are reported desperately engaged with the Serbians south of the frontier town of Semendria today.

Another battle rages between Serbians and Bulgarians on the Serbian eastern frontier. The Serbians accuse the Bulgarians of crossing the border, aiming to take Nish. The Bulgarians accuse Serbia of crossing the border with Sofia as her objective, and that the Bulgarians drove the invaders back into their own territory. The fight, however, is not ended.

Serbia formally notified London that it had declared war on Bulgaria today. Bulgaria is reported to have made a declaration several days ago, but there was no official announcement of it, though Emperor Ferdinand issued a statement today saying he had joined the central powers.

DRIVE DEVELOPS.

The Austrians and Germans are advancing southward from Belgrade, where the Serbians are fighting a series of rear guard actions.

The German drive toward Constantinople is developing furiously. Reliable advices say that Field Marshal von Mackensen has 350,000 German and Austrian troops. It is estimated the Bulgarians number 200,000 to 400,000 men, though experts pointed out that a large share of this force will be needed to guard the Greek and Roumanian frontiers—if not to fight the Greeks and Roumanians—instead of joining in the drive.

From all the allied capitals came statements indicating that a huge British, French, Italian and Russian force will be sent to oppose the German advance.

Reverse For Russia.

It is admitted that the Russians have suffered a reverse in Galicia, though Austrian and Russian accounts differ concerning its extent. The Germans are not more than holding their own against the Russians in the northeast.

Furious fighting rages about Lens and, more or less, all along the western front, without material changes in the past few hours.

The French allowed a violent artillery bombardment and repulsed an infantry attack before Letricourt, in Lorraine, the statement said, and directed an effective fire against the German works north of Reims.

Trench engine fighting was reported in the Vosges near Chapelle and at the summits of the Linghe hills and Barrecoq. Heavy cannonading was reported at Hartmannswillerkopf and Fudie.

Mackensen, Gallwicz, and Eichhorn at Belgrade With 350,000 Troops

ROME, Oct. 15.—Field Marshal Mackensen and Generals Gallwicz and Eichhorn arrived at Belgrade on Sunday and took command of 350,000 German and Austrian troops engaged in the drive through Serbia, said a Bucharest dispatch received by the Corriere della Sera today.

Mackensen was already in command of the expedition, but not actually at the front. Gallwicz and Eichhorn were brought, respectively, from the Austrian and German eastern fronts to act as his chief lieutenants.

There were hot grenade exchanges in the trenches south of Holzen-Hache. At Elbon, between the Oise and the Aisne, and all along the Champagne front, the Germans directed an intense cannonade against the French front, the Gallie batteries replying energetically. The statement mentioned concentrated artillery firing east of Auberville.

VIENNA (via Berlin and Sayville wireless), Oct. 15.—The Austrians have repulsed all Russian attacks, the war office announced today.